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Cyprus Gamble
MANY will have reservations about the British Government's action in deporting Archbishop Makarios from Cyprus. And perhaps the greatest is that the Government has taken a bold and calculated risk that this move, with other emergency measures, will succeed in bringing about an end to terrorism.

Critics will complain that it is a sign of weakness to have to resort to such drastic measures as deportation. Its protagonists, on the other hand, will consider the move both appropriate and timely. But the fact remains, irrespective of individual viewpoints, that it is deplorable that it has been made necessary, though it is hard to see what alternative course of action could have been taken.

It should be emphasised that the deportations were not the result of a breakdown in negotiations over the island's future even though the coincidence might suggest this. They were the result of Makarios's refusal to disassociate himself from terrorist activities to achieve a settlement. Charges have been made that he and his three colleagues not only tacitly condoned terrorism by refusing to condemn it, which is unpardonable enough, but that they actively fomented it and even helped organise it.

This is so one must sympathise with the British Government's position. The deportations, however, leave Cypriots agitating for union with Greece without a spokesman. Clearly Makarios is ill-suited for the task and efforts should be made to encourage a more tractable and reasonable figurehead if terrorism can be eliminated. One would have thought the church an admirable medium for this negotiation. The British Government's disclosures about the Archbishop are intensely disillusioning.

We spoke earlier of a risk and described it as "calculated". For it is certain the Government did not act impulsively. Rene MacCall's dispatch in the China Mail last week indicated deportation had been considered for some weeks past. The gamble is whether it will help to bring about an end to terrorism. Initially, and in view of inflamed passions and intensified Anglophobia following the grim events of the weekend, it may seem that the terrorists are succeeding in making the martyrdom of Makarios a rallying point for their anti-British crusade.

Eventually, though (unless the Greek Orthodox Church decides to take up the cudgel for its dispossessed leader), it is hoped the great majority of Cypriots can be weaned away from seeking independence through violence. Indeed, many now are heartily sick of the restrictions and hardships that have become a regular feature of their lives.

In the meantime there are some of the dangers which Britain faces and which the Cabinet and Field Marshal Harding must have considered before deciding to send Makarios to the Seychelles. There is one other point though so far it is only hypothetical: if terrorism is not suppressed what is the use of a strategic base in a trouble centre like the Mediterranean, when a large part of the troops stationed there for action elsewhere are employed maintaining internal security? Fears like this make it imperative that the gamble Britain has taken should succeed.

Gaitskell Criticises Deportation Action

York, Mar. 11.

Mr Hugh Gaitskell, leader of the British Labour Party, said here tonight that the decision to deport Archbishop Makarios, leader of the union with Greece movement in Cyprus, was wrong.

So was the decision, by Britain, to break negotiations with the Cypriots.

"We believe these decisions will play into the hands of the Communists and extremists on the island," hardened the resolve of the terrorists and thus impose additional strain on our troops," he told a local Labour Party rally.

"We say these decisions were unnecessary," he added.

"The points still at issue were much less important than those already agreed."

The archbishop was prepared to accept our declaration on the principles of self-government and self-determination.

The remaining differences were narrow and could surely be bridged with a little more patience."

The Agreement

Mr Gaitskell said the break might have been justified had it been supposed that agreement meant handing the island over to Communist control.

"But this is not so at all," he added.

Indeed, the agreement would have had the opposite effect.

"It would have broken the alliance between the Communists and the Cypriot and Greek nationalists."

Mr Gaitskell asked where this "new policy," as he termed it, was leading. "Are we to refuse to give Malaya self-government?" Reuter.

DEFIANCE TO CONTINUE Statement By TAKING OVER WHERE HE LEFT OFF'

Nicosia, Mar. 11.
The Bishop who succeeds to the mantle of deported Archbishop Makarios vowed today to "take up where he left off" in the Colony's defiance of Britain.

Leaflets were circulated in Cyprus threatening the British Governor, Field Marshal Sir John Harding.

Bomb blasts during the night killed one Cypriot bomb-thrower.

British paratroops mounted an additional Bren gun to cover Metaxas Square in ominously silent Nicosia.

While the British frigate Loch Vada fuelled and sailed from Mombasa taking Makarios into British-enforced exile on the Seychelles Islands, the police here publicised documents implicating Cypriot terrorist leader Georgi Dighenis in wholesale "liquidation" plots.

British troops were tensed and waiting for the pro-Greek EOAC terrorist underground to strike. In Cairo, Bishop Photios of Paphos, clerical successor to Makarios in Cyprus, told the United Press:

"I take over where he left off."

The black-boarded 44-year old Greek Orthodox Bishop was visiting in Egypt when the British deported Makarios. He said:

"Early this Sabbath morning I offered lengthy prayers to the success of my international campaign to have Makarios brought back to Cyprus."

"I cabled Hammarkjöld (UN Secretary-General) insisting that the United Nations take up the matter. I cabled the World Council of Churches at Geneva demanding worldwide support.

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Let's Be Chummy With Reds, Urges Pineau

New Delhi, Mar. 11.
M. Christian Pineau, French Foreign Minister, told Mr Nehru, Prime Minister of India, at talks today that his government favoured closer contacts with the Soviet Union and Communist countries, French sources said.

These sources said Mr Nehru had the same general outlook on world affairs as that of the French Foreign Minister, who arrived earlier today for two days of talks and one day of sightseeing.

They agreed that the Soviet Communist Party Congress in Moscow marked a basic change in Soviet policy.

M. Pineau also said he thought a bigger effort should be made to reach agreement on disarmament.

It was understood that his outline of the new policy on world affairs pursued by his government was similar to that he gave in Karachi last week to Mr Selwyn Lloyd, British Foreign Secretary, and Mr John Foster Dulles, American Secretary of State.

This followed M. Pineau's controversial speech in Paris in which he said he had been in "profound disagreement" with certain aspects of Western policy in recent years.

GET ON WELL

The two leaders met twice for talks today and dined together. French sources said they had "got on extremely well."

M. Pineau said his government believed that Socialism was the best answer to Communism, Mr Nehru, who favours Socialist policies, fully agreed.

The French minister also explained why his government disagrees with many aspects of Western policies.

He also went into the North African problem, stating that his government wanted some form of co-existence between Arabs and French settlers, and discussed objections to the Western-sponsored Bagdad pact, of which Britain is the foremost member.

They are understood to have agreed that world peace would

best be assured through economic co-operation rather than security pacts. They also discussed the Indo-China situation.

M. Pineau also stated that France hesitated at the moment to introduce diplomatic relations with Communist China although his government favoured closer ties with all countries.

They pointed out that the communiqué Mr Hansen signed did not condemn foreign bases on his country's soil in peacetime, as did the communiqué signed by the Norwegian Prime Minister, Mr Einar Gerhardsen, when he visited Moscow recently.

Furthermore, the Russians did not raise the question of contacts between the Soviet Communist Party and the Danish Social Democrats, as they did with the Norwegian government.

**6 IMMIGRANTS
DETAINED**

Singapore, Mar. 11.
Police today detained six Malays suspected of being illegal immigrants from Siam.

The detainees — three men and three women — were arrested in the Malay-Sinamoe border village of Padang Säré. Police said they believed the suspects had entered the country through jungle paths.

Reuter.

They Don't Like Their British Uniforms

New Delhi, Mar. 12.
Indian police have asked the authorities to provide them with new uniforms, claiming their present British-designed garb is "terror-inspiring" and prevents them from gaining respect among the people.

The recently-formed police non-commissioned officers' union in Delhi has presented the Inspector-General of Police with a charter of demands.

They complain that the present khaki uniform, with heavy boots, puttees, and an elaborate turban with a red plume, is not "respectable" or suited to a free country.

The Inspector-General is now considering the charter presented.

Reuter.

The Bagdad Pact

Nasser's Offer To Lloyd

Cairo, Mar. 11.
Mr Selwyn Lloyd, the British Foreign Secretary, was told on his recent visit to Cairo that Egypt would stop her campaign against the Bagdad pact if the pact was "frozen" and not extended to any other Arab country, an official Egyptian spokesman said here tonight.

The spokesman said Mr Lloyd was told this by Lt-Col. Gamal Abdel Nasser, the Egyptian Prime Minister.

The spokesman said: "In this case if the pact were frozen the pact would not threaten Arab countries with uncertainty, and co-operation would be resumed between Egypt and Iraq (one of the members of the pact)."

REPORT DENIED

The spokesman denied reports from Bagdad that Egypt had asked Britain to mediate between her and Iraq.

The Egyptian Premier's statement to Mr Lloyd had been made in the belief that Britain created the Bagdad pact and decided its policy, he said.

Commenting on Bagdad reports that Egypt was ready to enter a new Arab pact with Iraq, the Egyptian spokesman said: "This is not at all the case. Egypt believes in purely Arab defensive systems, uninfluenced by foreign powers."

BOMBER BLOWS UP, REPORT

Rabat, Mar. 11.
A US Stratofortress bomber exploded over the Algerian-Moroccan frontier today, according to French sources, but a US Air Force spokesman here said he had not heard about the crash.

The six-jet medium B-47 bomber blew up while flying over the frontier between Marrakesh-Kiss and Oujda, some 30 miles south of the coast and about 275 miles east of here, French reports said. — United Press.

The Bagdad pact unites Britain, Persia, Iran, Turkey and Pakistan in a Middle East defence alliance. Egypt opposes the pact on the grounds that it disrupts Arab unity.

Anti-British riots broke out in Jordan at the New Year following proposals that Jordan should join the pact. — Reuter.

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EASTERN 3, KITCHEE 1

EASTERN CAME NEAR TO PAYING DEARLY FOR THEIR PREMATURE EASING UP

Says I. M. MacTAVISH

Calling the Eastern Committee... "Start clearing two centre spaces on your sideboard for the League and Senior Shield trophies. If this is any indication of things to come only the greatest and most unexpected reversals of form can possibly prevent the double being collared for you by Ko Po-keung and his red shirted team mates."

Between Eastern and the Senior Shield the only barrier is Kitchee, while two games with lowly Kwong Wah, one with Club and one with CAA constitute the remainder of their League programme. The double's in sight!

A good crowd turned up at the Hongkong Stadium yesterday to see this vital and far-reaching game, and a strange one it turned out to be.

Putting it mildly, Kitchee were never really in the same class as their Eastern opponents who were playing with determination and with some semblance of their potential power. However, but it to Kitchee's credit they never gave up trying and once Eastern got their second goal and started to relax their efforts Ng Kee-cheung drove his dismounted Kitchee side back into the picture.

As things turned out Eastern came dangerously close to paying dearly for their presumption that this Kitchee side merited only a second class effort. There are still several fine players in the Kitchee line-up who cannot be treated in this way and as soon as Eastern eased off they came back into the game. They pulled back a goal just before the interval, and came within inches of equalling several times.

PRICELESS POINTS

This eventually decided Eastern forwards and some halves out of their lethargy and with a snap goal by Chu Wing-keung they finally clinched the priceless points near the end.

The beautiful spring weather encouraged the crowd to turn out in goodly numbers. The playing pitch looked hard and dry as the teams came out and Kitchee's decision to play safe centre-forward Lau Kai-chu at inside-left with Lee Hung-kei wearing the '9' shirt soon had the fans in a speculative mood.

Eastern had Chan Kar-sau at centre-forward with all the other regulars in their usual places.

Right from the first whistle Eastern called the tune although they did concede an early corner in Kitchee breakaway. Eastern wing-halves Chow Man-chi and Lee Kwock with quickly took command and with judicious slips and accurate passes they split the Kitchee defence wide open. Chu Wing-keung coaxed and controlled his forward line with some delightful touches and when he ladd on to his perfect square pass for Chan Kar-sau the big centre brought Cheung Koon-hing hurtling full length across his goal to clutch and elect his powerful strike.

At this stage Kitchee were not only outplayed, they were almost completely outclassed. The brilliant inter-passing and positional switches of the Eastern players was away beyond anything the Kitchee boys could produce and it seemed only a matter of time before the score started piling up.

PENALTY GOAL

The first goal came after 10 minutes and was set up by an anti-climax. Ho Ying-fun raced into the penalty area side by side with Chan Kai-hung. The wing-half seemed to slide under the winger and they both fell to the ground a couple of yards inside the penalty area. It looked a simple enough affair but referee Jones, who was well up with the play, immediately pointed to the penalty spot.

Chan Kar-sau was entrusted with the kick and although Cheung Koon-hing got his

hands to the ball he was unable to turn Chan's fierce drive away from the net and Eastern were one up.

Apart from sporadic Kitchee runs it was Eastern all the way and Chan Kar-sau was very unlucky with several good shots.

It was no surprise when Eastern increased their lead in the 27th minute. A grand goal it was too. Chow Man-chi started the move with a cute and characteristic slip to Lee Ping-chu. Up the wing went a delightful controlled pass to Ho Ying-fun who was positioned close to the touch line.

The winger pivoted, nipped round Lee Yee, and dropped a beautiful long lob on the far side of the goal area. Several Kitchee defenders waited anxiously for the ball to drop, but they waited a split second too long. Lau Ching-to cut through the bunch of them, snopped the ball forward and in a flash it was in the back of the net.

It was indeed a fine goal, and it very nearly proved a costly one for Eastern. Somehow or other it seemed to bring with it a sense of indifference to the side. They started to ease off. When they had been chasing, they started waiting where they had been tackling, they started retreating. For some strange reason the two Eastern wingers Chow Man-chi and Chu Wing-keung faded out of the picture to an astonishing degree, and just as steadily Kitchee came into it.

In spite of the very obvious change in fortune Eastern's experienced players never seemed to sense that they were losing the place, but it was underlined for them in the most practical way possible by young Kung Wah who rounded off a brilliant run by cracking the ball into the net.

So after 36 minutes and for all their superiority Eastern were back to a solitary goal and a couple of minutes later they very nearly lost it altogether. Again it was Kung Wah who did the work. He tracked Lee Koo-ke-wah, and as Kitchee with Lo Pak, and as Kitchee and his mates retreated across the goal, the little schoolboy star unleashed another drive which flew inches past the post with Yong Pui-dor AWOL.

Eastern started the second half in the same indifferent mood and Kitchee, sizing up the situation, piled on the pressure in an effort to get the equaliser. Lau Kai-chu was racing at centre-forward with Lee Hung-kei on his left and it was now Eastern who were doing the desperate defending and Kitchee who were calling the tune.

Holes began to appear in the Star spangled Eastern defence lines and the old familiar recriminations came back into evidence, especially when Yong Pui-dor and Ko Po-keung got in a dangerous muddle as the pivot trailed the ball back to his keeper.

MISSED GOAL

Kitchee should have equalised in the 58th minute. They were awarded a free kick outside the penalty area. Lau Kai-chu took the kick and crashed a powerful drive towards the far side of the goal. Yong dived, got his

head to the ball, but the ball hit the post and came out.

VERDICT

The first half was too one-sided to be worth very much. Things were better after the interval when with Eastern's equalising effort Lau Kai-chu made a real fight of it, but Eastern should have won by a much bigger margin than they did.

TEAMS

EASTERN: Yong Pui-dor, Lee Ping-chu, Lo Pak, Chow Man-chi, Ko Po-keung, Ho Ying-fun; Ho Ying-fun, Lau Ching-to, Chan Kar-sau, Chu Wing-keung, Ho Ying-fun.

KITCHEE: Cheung Koon-hing, Lee Shu-ping, Lau Yee; Chan Kai-hung, Ng Kee-cheung, Kwok Shek, Kung Wah-kit, Kwok Yau, Lee Hung-kei, Lau Kai-chu, Lam Shun-yeo.

Sports Diary TODAY

Tennis

Semi-final of Colony Grasscourt singles championships, at HKCC.

Annual Meeting of the Ladies Recreation Club (Clubhouse) 5.30 p.m.

HKFA Council Meeting, Sports Road 6.30 p.m.

TOMORROW

Tennis

Semi-final of Colony Grasscourt doubles championships at HKCC.

Heats of St. Joseph's College annual athletic championships at SCAA stadium, commencing 9 a.m.

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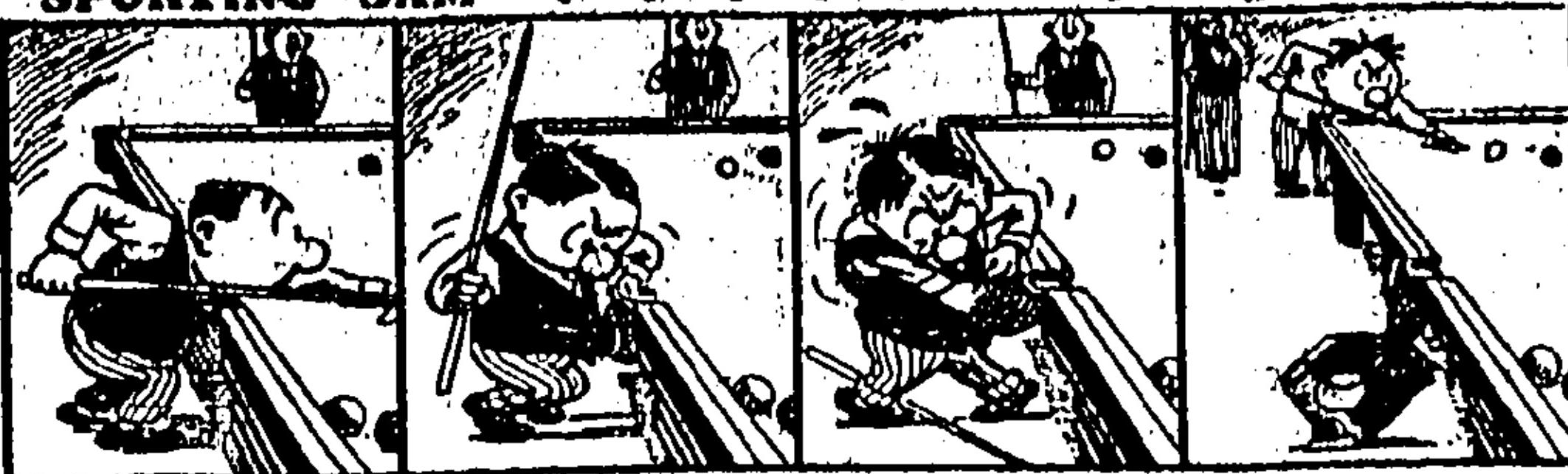
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By Reg. Wootton



SATURDAY'S SOFTBALL

Visiting Ching Hsui Girls Score Convincing 16-4 Win Over Combined Europeans

By "TIME OUT"

Before a near-capacity crowd of enthusiastic supporters at King's Park yesterday, Lin Fong-tsui of the visiting Ching Hsui Girls' softball team from Taiwan hurled her team to a well-earned 16-4 triumph over the local Combined Europeans' Girls' squad. Turning in her usual good fastballing on the mound, Lin Fong-tsui mowed down ten batters at the plate while scattering five hits to hand the Europeans a severe trouncing.

In the first game of their double-header on Saturday against the "Old Crocks," the Taiwanese lasses exploded with four runs in the fatal sixth inning to trim their aged opponents 9-8. The vast crowd that stormed out to the diamond on Saturday had their money's worth as a real see-saw battle was waged, with the lead changing hands five times before an error-packed sixth frame saw the visitors forge ahead for the margin of victory.

In the International Series played yesterday, Portugal and China blasted their ways into the finals with convincing triumphs over their weak opponents. The former emerged victorious over Pakistan with a 10-4 count, while the latter beat the USA contingent, represented by men from the USS Floyd's Bay, 22-6.

In the Ladies' Division Senior Play-offs, South China avenged their first round defeat at the hands of the Capandus with a 10-4 score.

Playing a twin-bill over the week-end, Taiwan pitchers

Lin Fong-tsui proved her brilliance on the mound as her masterful hurling resulted in the Ching Hsui team sweeping both games. Hurling against an experienced batch of "old timers" on Saturday, Miss Lin scattered eight hits with six strikeouts to trim the Association's "Old Crocks" 0-8 while yesterday's tussle against the Combined Europeans saw her come off with another ten whiffs for a creditable 16-3 massacre.

Adding to the fare that was

having spectators rolling in the

blanchers, Joaquim Colaco

whipped the ball across the

diamond after catcher Shea

Man-shan got on and once again,

three fielders just looked on

while the ball rolled all the way

into centerfield.

FATAL CANTO

Entering the bottom half of the match with a 5-0 count the visitors burst through with four runs to set up the ball game.

This fatal canto saw Father

Time catching up with the "Old

Crocks" as fumble followed

fumble, with the oldtimers

spilling across the diamond in

a state of frenzy. Ballhawk

Artur Ozorio touched off the

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Notice is also given that the Share Register of the Company will be closed from the 26th March, 1956, to the 7th April, 1956, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 9th March, 1956.

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By RONALD W. CLARK

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The present Colonial Liaison Officer, Mr F. H. P. Williams, has just completed a tour of West Africa. In 1954 he visited British Honduras, British Guiana, Jamaica, Trinidad, Barbados, and the Windward Islands to study and advise on road-making problems in those areas.

Previously he visited Malaya, Borneo, Gibraltar and East and Central Africa, while the Director of the Laboratory, Dr W. H. Glanville, has inspected Nigerian roads at the request of the Nigerian Government.

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NOW, following the allocation of £50,000 from the Colonial Development and Welfare Fund for research on colonial road problems, a colonial road research section of the laboratory has been established.

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Dr Millard has worked with the Road Research Laboratory since 1944. He was previously in charge of the Scottish Branch of the Laboratory and has been Head of the Bituminous Section at Harmonds-

worth.

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Dr Glanville is Chairman of this committee, and it includes among its members representatives of colonial governments.

The primary objects of the work carried on by the Road Research Laboratory are the improvement of roads, the reduction of overall costs of construction and maintenance, and the promotion of safety and comfort in travel.

This work, which in Britain is carried on in close co-operation with the Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, falls into two main divisions, one dealing with materials and methods of construction and the other with traffic and safety.

Much of the day-to-day work of the Laboratory, although not hitherto specifically initiated for colonial territories, is of great interest and value to them.

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IT will be one of the functions of the newly formed colonial section to present the results of the Laboratory's researches so that they can be applied by colonial road engineers.

Further it is now intended to work on problems which arise in the colonial territories but not in Britain—the use in road construction of tropical and subtropical soils for instance.

Although it is planned to carry out most of the Laboratory investigations at Harmondsworth, field work in the colonies themselves including the carrying out of full-scale road experiments, will form an important part of the work of this section.

The results of the Laboratory's researches are published in various ways, those of special interest to colonial engineers, for instance, taking the form of a series of Colonial Road Notes, though other publications of the Laboratory may be of application to colonial territories as well as to the United Kingdom.

The two Colonial Road Notes so far published deal with mechanical surface-dressing plant, and with highway sufficiency ratings; both contain much information of direct use to those concerned with road-making in the colonies.

It might at first be thought that in many colonial territories, where the cost of hand labour is relatively low, there would be little advantage in the introduction of mechanical surface-dressing equipment.

The main advantage to be gained from such equipment is in the improved control possible, particularly over the rate of spread of binder and chippings.

NO VALVES IN NEW RADIO



PORTABLE radio set held by Petula Clarke is one of the first models of a new British radio set without valves. The radio, announced by its makers, Pame (Radio and Television Ltd), uses transistors instead of valves and is the first of its kind to go into production in Britain. The tiny transistors, one of which is held by Petula, need only four small thin batteries to power them instead of the bulky HT and LT batteries required to heat the filaments of valves. They consist of a rare element permanent cemented in a metal shell and are a post-war development. The new set, which costs about HK\$500, runs for five hours for less than ten cents.—Reuters photo.

RADIOACTIVITY METER

A radioactivity meter, type No. 552, designed as a rugged, inexpensive, yet precision instrument for carrying out an illustrative range of experiments with radioactive isotopes, is being produced by Isotope Developments Ltd.

The instrument has been designed in collaboration with the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Research Establishment, the sub-committee of the British Science Masters' Association.

The instrument is primarily for educational purposes, particularly in schools, but it is also suitable as a simple, easy to use, general-purpose rate-measuring instrument, giving a useful accuracy for quantitative work.

POWER PRESS FEED

New type of equipment, which uncoils, straightens and feeds metal strip to the power press, has been developed and is being made by Press Equipment, Ltd., Hunter's Vale, Birmingham 19, England.

The machine will feed up to 60 feet per minute accurately in sequence with the stroking of the press and with the clutch permanently engaged.

This is effected by inducing the straightened strip into a bow between and stop in the tools and the output roll of the machine. As the final progression of the tools takes place, the component is ejected and the material (which has not been bowed beyond its elastic limit) flows to the end stop for the next stroke.

A detector device on the bow engages a hydraulic clutch and re-forms the bow.

This train of events is continuous in practice and the detector device operates a hydraulic speed variator when running continuously, disengaging the clutch only when the press is stopped.

For long pitch feeding (that is cutting to length) where the pitch required cannot be traversed through the tools during daylight with the press running continuously, the bow detection device is arranged so that the straightened material is fed along a runout table and through the tools to an end stop.

A bow is then induced and detected, de-clutching the feed and engaging the press clutch synchronously.

The component is ejected, the bow released and the process automatically repeated.

As in both cases the material itself is the medium of control, accuracy of feed is an inherent feature of this equipment, and infinitely variable feed speeds and lengths are available.

The equipment is not tied to any one press. Present range available is from one-quarter inch up to 10 inches wide in thicknesses up to eight standard wire gauge. Larger sizes are being developed.

But insecticide manufacturers soon found that many tough bugs developed a resistance to some manufactured products.

Mother Nature's killer, how-

Flower That Is Death To Insects

By ANTHONY LAVERS

One and a half centuries have passed since a Dalmatian woman, sweeping out her home, noticed some dead insects among a bunch of wild flowers. Little did she know that her discovery would lead to the growth of a flourishing industry in a country which in those days was an unmapped part of Africa.

The plant was pyrethrum, a ever retained its knock-down effect. When this was realised the pyrethrum growers found fresh hope for the future.

Pyrethrum is grown between 6,000 and 9,000 feet, and does best at altitudes over 8,000 feet. The flower blooms for nine months of the year in the Kenya highlands.

PICKING BY HAND

Pyrethrum farming is one of the most difficult agricultural tasks in Kenya. Picking of flowers must be done by hand to achieve high yields, for there is a critical picking period for each plant. African women and children do most of the picking.

At the opening of the new laboratories was Kenya's Minister of Agriculture, Mr Michael Biundu, who is himself a pyrethrum grower. He told farmers at the ceremony of plans for yet another development of the industry—the building of an extraction plant in Nakuru on the spot. Members of the Pyrethrum Board unanimously agreed to impose a tax on their produce to raise £100,000 towards the cost of a £200,000 extraction plant.

Among the most encouraging developments in recent years has been the use of pyrethrum for insecticidal sprays. At an experiment carried out on a dairy farm in Britain it was found that a large milking shed of about 80,000 cubic feet was effectively "fogged" with insecticide in about five minutes. Every fly on or near the cattle was killed.

The spray used consisted of 1.3 per cent pyrethrin in odourless kerosene. It had no effect on the cows or the farm-hands, and its cost worked out at about one penny halfpenny per 1,000 cubic feet per day.

OTHER USES

Mechanical fogging by pyrethrum spray has also proved effective in tobacco warehouses, flour mills, grain stores, ships, slaughterhouses, refuse dumps, chocolate factories, poultry sheds and fertiliser plants.

Other uses and other forms of insecticide will be developed at the new laboratories.

An industry whose production has risen from 18 tons in 1933 to 6,000 tons ten years later now looks forward to recovering the production lost since the war and increasing it.

The Governor of Kenya, Sir Evelyn Baring, said at the opening ceremony that during the next decade world consumption was expected to rise to 13,000 tons a year. There was plenty of room, therefore, for the expansion of Kenya's acreage.

Mail Notices

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MONDAY, MARCH 12

By Air
Formosa, Japan, U.S.A., 6 p.m.
Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Great Britain, Europe, 6 p.m.
By Surface
Indonesia, 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 13

By Air
Thailand, 9 a.m.
China, India, France, 10 a.m.
Peking, Shanghai, Kunming, Hankow, Nanking, Canton, 1 p.m.
Norfolk, Borneo, Australia, New Zealand, Hawaii, 1 p.m.
Philippines, 1 p.m.
Malaya, Burma, India, 2 p.m.
Malaya, Indonesia, 3 p.m.
Philippines, 3 p.m.
Thailand, Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 4 p.m.
Japan, 4 p.m.
Korea, 4 p.m.
Ceylon, 4 p.m.
By Surface
China, People's Republic, 10.30 a.m.
Japan, Noon.
Macau, 1 p.m.
Indo-China, Thailand, 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14

By Air
China, People's Republic, 10.30 a.m.
Malaya, Ceylon, Aden, Middle East, Great Britain & Europe, 11 a.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.
Macau, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 15

By Air
Republ. of Korea
China, People's Republic, 10.30 a.m.
Malaya, Burma, India, 11 a.m.
Malaya, East Africa, Portugal, Rhodesia, 12 p.m.
Africa, 1 p.m.
Philippines, Indo-China, Thailand, 1 p.m.
Ceylon, 1 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 16

By Air
China, People's Republic, 10.30 a.m.
Malaya, Ceylon, Aden, Middle East, Great Britain & Europe, 11 a.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.
Macau, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 17

By Air
Republ. of Korea
China, People's Republic, 10.30 a.m.
Malaya, Burma, India, 11 a.m.
Malaya, East Africa, Portugal, Rhodesia, 12 p.m.
Africa, 1 p.m.
Philippines, Indo-China, Thailand, 1 p.m.
Ceylon, 1 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 18

By Air
Republ. of Korea
China, People's Republic, 10.30 a.m.
Malaya, Burma, India,

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

US BUSINESS CONTINUED ITS ADVANCE But Some Soft Spots Were Noticeable Last Week

Cruzeiro
Devaluation
Reports

Rio de Janeiro,
Mar. 11.
Financial, business and government circles buzzed today with reports that the Brazilian government is about to devalue the national currency -- the cruzeiro.

Stated reference is among officials most likely to be in on the planning was seen as given substance to the reports.

Finance Minister Jose Maria Alkmin when questioned about the reports replied: "The only news I have regarding the exchange reform is what I get from the newspapers."

President Juscelino Kubitschek was even more pointed, when he replied: "I have decided never again to say anything about currency reform."

Observers felt nevertheless, that the phrasing used by both Kubitschek and Alkmin indicated that a positive announcement will be made soon.

REDUCTION

Some qualified sources speculated that the foreign exchange rate for the cruzeiro would be reduced from about 70 cruzeiros per dollar to 80, 90, or perhaps even 100.

The chief purpose of the devaluation, observers said, would be to attract foreign investors by offering them more cruzeiros for their dollars. They pointed out that Kubitschek is eagerly seeking foreign capital for his broad economic development programme.

Brazil also would take a long-range gamble that currency devaluation would stimulate foreign trade sufficiently to give Brazil a dollar surplus abroad.

Devaluation would reduce the price of most goods Brazil sells abroad, with the exception of coffee and cotton which are exported at pegged exchange rates. —United Press.

RUSSIAN-ASSISTED STEEL PLANT

New Delhi, Mar. 11.
Russia and India have agreed on final details of the Russian-assisted construction of a steel plant in Bhilai, India.

The Indian government gave its approval to the final blueprints for the steel works worked out by Russian steel experts in a brief ceremony at which Soviet deputy Minister V. G. Klyebnikov was present.

The plant will have three furnaces. Half the cost of construction and equipment will be met by a Soviet government loan to India at two and a half per cent interest payable in twelve annual installments.

The Bhilai steel works will have a capacity of one million tons of steel ingots and 300,000 tons of malleable pig iron. Its potential can be increased to 1,300,000 tons of ingots at any time, informed sources said. —United Press.

Canadian Wheat For Iron Curtain Countries

Ottawa, Mar. 11.
Iron Curtain countries will take delivery of at least 40-million bushels of Canadian wheat between now and the end of July, Federal grain authorities estimated today.

The Communist purchases, plus expected orders from non-Communist European countries whose winter wheat crops failed, are expected to boost Canada's 1955-56 crop year exports to more than 300-million bushels.

In the last crop year this country exported 250-million bushels. This year expected improvement will represent almost entirely the success of government trade officials and salesmen for the Canadian wheat board in negotiating markets in the Communist world.

Canadian wheat has been selling in vastly improved volume in recent weeks and the outlook for the immediate future is regarded as highly favourable. But grain authorities here warned against any conclusions that the end of this country's surplus wheat worries is in sight.

The experts point out that at the start of the present crop

By JOHN MORKA

New York, Mar. 11.
The United States business continued its upward trend to reflect underlying sources of strength, although there were some soft spots noticeable last week.

Personal income remains high. Business outlays for new construction and plant improvement are also high and are expected to remain so for the balance of the year. Although industrial production appears to have slipped somewhat of late, overall activity remains near peaks.

Although auto sales and production showed signs of a pickup last week, there were some new layoffs in the industry.

Steel operating at or near peak levels was heading for a price rise and possible labour strife this summer as negotiations on new labour contracts neared. Although spending for new homes was down, contract awards showed some gains generally. With personal incomes generally high, farmers continued to lag behind, amid reports of production cutbacks and layoffs in the farm implement industry.

Autos Mixed

The auto industry especially showed mixed tendencies last week.

Studebaker started laying off 1,000 workers, while Chrysler Corp. recalled more than 5,000 workers, idle since February 2. With the approach of spring, auto sales have picked up, prompting a 10 per cent hike in production schedules for March. The industry has now set its sights on March output of 10,000, or about 10 per cent more than February.

Stock prices hit new highs in their averages early last week but then eased off in succeeding sessions on news of mounting tensions in the Middle East. There was some selling in shares of oil companies operating in that area along with a pickup in demand for aircrafts. The week before last investor sentiment and business generally got a big psychological boost when President Eisenhower said he would seek re-election. But the unsettling developments in the Middle East last week ended curb investor buying to some extent.

Ford Stock

Last week saw the first appearance of the Ford Motor stock on the New York Stock Exchange.

Ford stock was previously traded over the counter, and the price was first offered at \$64.50 a share. It went up as much as \$71 and then fell down to around \$59. The stock opened on Wednesday at \$62.

According to International Statistical Bureau, auto sales for 1955 as a whole should be down around 15 per cent despite an expected fourth quarter resurgence. Industry earnings, says the Bureau, will be off compatibly. With Ford and Chrysler harder hit than General Motors.

The Bureau has the following comment on individual companies: General Motors, "the best quality and least vulnerable issue in the group, apparently has discounted to a considerable extent the current period of industry readjustment."

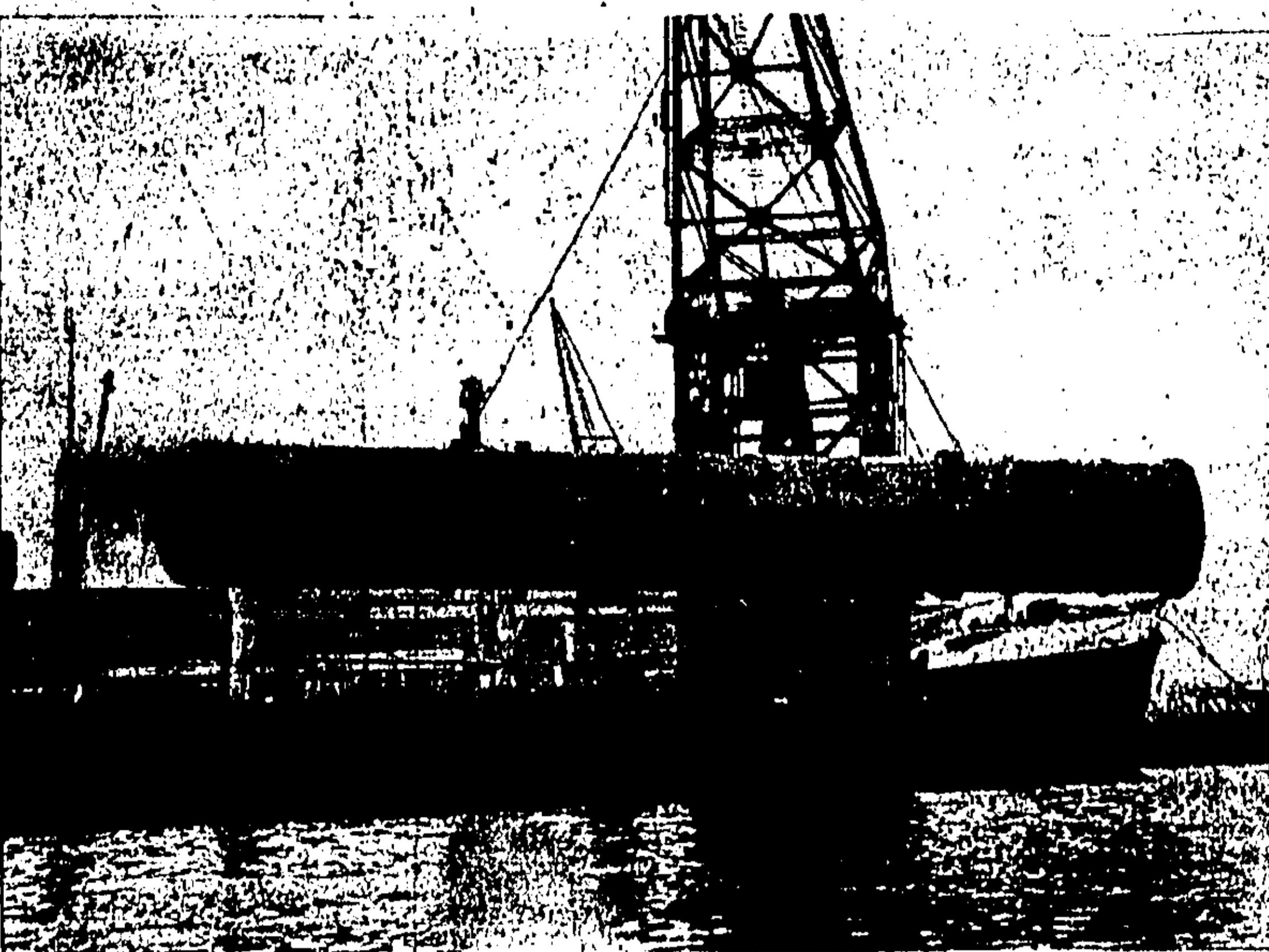
Ford, "on the basis of the approximately eight earned in 1955, is selling at about 7½ times earnings. However, it is dangerous to measure against the company's all-time record year."

Some Attraction

"Earnings could drop as low as \$5.50-\$6.00 in 1956. And the issue now selling below the offering price, is fully priced."

Chrysler "remains the most interesting speculation. The market never fully discounted the substantial earnings of 1955 preferring to adopt a wait-and-see attitude in reference to the company's ability to maintain its increased market — any move toward wider profit margins would have a substantial effect on trading power." The independent's continue very speculative but not without some attraction. Studebaker-Packard and American Motor's have put through trying readjustment periods and could do better over the longer term." —United Press.

MAJOR SHIPPING TASK



The largest refinery column ever built in the United Kingdom was floated two miles down the Thames from Greenwich to King's Dock on February 23. The column will be erected in the catalytic cracking unit in the Shell Company's Cardon Refinery in Venezuela. Weighing 147 tons, it is 141 feet long and 19 feet 2 inches in diameter. Picture shows: The column is lifted aboard the mv Loch Ryan, for shipment to Venezuela, by the 100-ton PLA floating crane London Mammoth. (A Shell Photograph).

Work Force

Elsewhere, there was concern about the rising trend toward automation. Unions have felt that one of their prime dangers these days is growing mechanisation of industry. They insist that workers' jobs are at stake. This feeling is behind the growing union demand for a guaranteed annual wage. This week, Ralph J. Cuthbert, President of the giant General Electric Co., told the Economic Club of New York that automation, far from causing unemployment, "is the only solution of our long-range problem of employment." He forecast that a rising population and improvement in standard of living will necessitate a 40 per cent rise in national output in the next ten years. Meanwhile, he said, the work force will rise by only 14 per cent.

Malayan Timber Exports

Kuala Lumpur, Mar. 11.
Malaya last year exported nearly 150,000 tons of sawn timber, worth \$26 million Dollars Malayan, according to the Federal Timber Exporters Association's annual report.

"This valuable contribution to Malaya's economy is insufficiently recognised in this country," the report said. —Reuter.

New York Stocks Have One Of Best Weeks

By Elmer Walzer

New York, Mar. 9.
Stocks registered one of their best gains of the year during the past week with industrials setting a record high, utilities a new high since April 13, 1951, and rails since Dec. 6.

Sales almost duplicated those of a week ago. The total rose a mere 138 shares to 14,176,708 shares for the five-day period, the most since Sept. 30. The daily average was 2,835,341 shares, against 2,835,314 in the previous week.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$800,000. N.Y.C. quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS 1000 1000

INSURANCE 1000 1000

SHIPPIING 500 500

Waterboat 28

DOCKS, ETC. 73

Gas 35 2700 35

Provident 14,10 14,50 1000 14,40

Wheelock 8,45

LAND, ETC.

TD 14,60 14,90 1000 14,80

JHK Land 69,01 12 200 69,01

McGregory XD 18,10

RUBBER

A. Rubber 1,70 1,80

UTILITIES

Trans 24,20 24,30 500 24,20

Telephone 32,12 33,12 900 32,12

Star Ferry XD 132

Yaumati Ferry 104 105 200 103

C. Light O/T 21,40 21,00 200 21,20

7,50 7,50 200 7,50

Electric X AH 30 30 200 30 30

Macno 0,70

Elec (N) 0,20

Telephone 32,12 33,12 900 32,12

2500 2500 900 2500

3500 3500 900 3500

4200 4200 900 4200

2200 2200 900 2200

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INDUSTRIALS

Cement XD 34,14 34,14 200 34,14

STORES, ETC.

Dairy 17,20 17,15 415 17,20

Watson 11,50 11,00 500 11,50

L. Crawford 34 35

COTTONS

Textile Corp. 5,30 6,00 6,00 5,30

Nanyang 7,50 7,05 2000 7,05

MARINE EQUIPMENT

Allied 6,70 6,00

5,50 5,40 1000 5,30

US RAW COTTON EXPORT

New York, Mar. 11.

Raw cotton exports by destination as reported in bales by the New York Cotton Exchange for 1955-56 season as to Feb. 26, were as follows:

BRITAIN 60,204

CONTINENT 22,700

CANADA 572,000

CANADA 50,200

TOTAL FOR SEASON* 1,014,397

Same period last year 2,243,187

EXCESSIVE AMOUNT

—United Press.

Singapore Rubber Market

Singapore, Mar. 11.

The rubber market was

featureless on Saturday, with minor fluctuations. Future

closings were:

No. 1 rubber per lb. Mar. 09/50

April 09/50

May 09/50

June 09/50

Sept. 09/50

Oct. 09/50

Nov. 09/50

Dec. 09/50

Jan. 09/50

Feb. 09/50

March 09/50

United Press.

Exchange Rates

